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### **Arizona Veterans Caucus supports creation of Veterans Crisis Command Center** *Encourages participation at June 9 town hall*

**STATE CAPITOL, PHOENIX** – Rep. Jonathan Larkin, D-Glendale (District 30), and Rep. Kelly Townsend, R-Mesa (District 16), co-chairs of the Arizona Veterans Caucus, commend the American Legion for its plan to create a Veterans Crisis Command Center to help those affected by the situation at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

“Our veterans and their families, as well as the public, deserve answers to the questions they have about the crisis at the VA Medical Center,” Larkin said. “This new command center should help ensure that everyone has their concerns heard and that there will be follow up.”

The new Veterans Crisis Command Center, which is located at the American Legion Post 1, 364 N. Seventh Ave., Phoenix, Arizona 85007, will open on June 10 from noon to 8 p.m. It will also be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on June 11 and June 12. On June 13, it will be open from 8 a.m. until noon.

Additionally, the American Legion Post 1 will host a town hall meeting for local veterans and community members at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 9. Members of the Arizona Veterans Caucus plan to participate.

“This kind of outreach is crucial to ensuring that our veterans get the care they deserve and that these issues are corrected,” Townsend said. “I encourage all those affected by the events at the VA Medical Center to participate.”